GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY STRUCTURAL IMPROVEMENT FUND
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a Science and Technology structural improvement fund is being constituted by the Government to provide adequate facilities for basic research works in the higher educational institutions; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI JAISINGH GAIKWAD PATIL)

(a) to (b) : According to the information furnished by Department of Science and Technology (DST), a Fund for improvement of infrastructure in Science and Technology(FIST) in Universities and other higher educational institutions has been created to strengthen facilities for basic research. This Scheme is being implemented by the DST and an allocation of Rs. 21.00 crore has been made in the current year's budget. The Scheme has been very widely announced and a large number of proposals have been received for consideration of the Government.